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The Circulation of The Bulletin.

The Bulletin has the largest circulation of any paper in Eastern Connecticut, and from three to four times larger than that of any in Norwich. It is delivered to over 3,000 of the 4,053 houses in Norwich, and read by ninety-three percent of the people. In Windham it is delivered to over 900 houses, in Putnam and Danielson to over 1,100, and in all of these places it is considered the local daily.

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CIRCULATION

1901, average.....	4,412
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1903, average.....	6,559
1904, average.....	7,179
1905, average.....	7,543
December 18.....	7,766

FIGHTING THE WHITE PLAGUE.

This is what the entire American public is invited to do by the circulation of Red Cross stamps and by dropping coin into boxes, located in Norwich stores to accumulate a fund for establishing a local camp. This is all well, but Dr. Edward O. Otis of Tufts medical college would have us all small the causes of infection. He recommends that prevention of infection and care of patients be made a part of the course of study in all public schools, that physicians be compelled to report every case of tuberculosis and that home inspection, general supervision and disinfection of the home after death of a patient shall be obligatory on boards of health.

Sanitation of schools, workshops, stores and offices must be insisted upon. Tuberculosis must be guarded against. Above all, anyone who has the least reason to suspect infection should seek competent medical advice forthwith.

"Good climate will not counteract bad living," says Dr. Otis. "Any climate where the air is pure and free from dust and where there is protection from high winds is favorable for the treatment of tuberculosis."

This is good advice. If the waste of human life because of this disease is \$300,000,000 a year, as estimated, it is time every plan for its eradication should be put in operation as speedily as possible.

THE BANK QUARANTY LAW.

The Oklahoma bank guaranty law, which Colonel Bryan would have had adopted, untested by the people of the whole country, is not working well. The failure of a bank there has led to some profanity in high places and considerable distrust everywhere.

Governor Haskell is quoted as saying that there will be no further trouble if "no more of the d-d national banks fail." The governor's profanity is entirely beside the question. What Oklahoma needs most of all is a financial system that begets confidence instead of distrust; which places honesty above "wild-catting" in the management of financial institutions, which puts the burden of their own mistakes on the loosely managed banks and does not tax sound banking to make up deficits caused by unsound banking.

Commenting upon the recent practical working of the law, the Kansas City Journal says: "This is a critical period in the history of the new state. Capital should be attracted by every possible legitimate means, and there is nothing at which capital looks askance more quickly than the fantastic financial legislative nostrums fished out of the ash heaps of populism and failure. One bank is not made sound by the soundness of another, as a general proposition. One banker is not made a safe custodian of anybody's money merely because the law says that if he proves unfaithful, a honest, sane and successful banker will make restitution of the money lost by the unsafety, the unwisdom, the disaster and possibly the dishonesty of the banker who fails. How many more banks must fail in Oklahoma, before this simple, self-evident truth is realized and acted upon?"

MULE PENS CLEANER THAN PRISON PENS.

This is the inspectors' condemnation of the Atlanta stockade in which prisoners are kept. The report says that the jurors who inspected the stockade found the stench so foul that the members were forced to wrap handkerchiefs around their faces to endure the trip, and that some of them were made sick by the vile odors. The report concluded by stating that the stables in which the mules were kept were much more habitable than the prison.

In the negroes' quarters were found nearly two hundred prisoners, shackled to each other, that they could neither bathe nor change clothes, the room had not a single ventilation opening, the sick were unattended and there were no sanitary arrangements. One prisoner, ill with typhoid, was left on a filthy blanket. Another with a gunshot wound in the breast had for a covering next the wound a shirt that was so dirty that the committee did not see how he could escape infection. The women's quarters, even those for white women, convicted of trivial offenses, were no better, and the jurors said they had reason to believe that shackles had been taken off the women because the officials learned of

the intended visit of the inspectors. The barbarous modes of punishment, including leaden riveted straps, rings in the walls to which prisoners were suspended for as long as forty minutes in succession, and whipping chairs, were roundly denounced as inhuman. The report says that all this is the more inhuman because the prisoners are sent to the stockade because they are unable to pay a money fine for misdemeanors.

The southern way of running stockades was shown at Andersonville a half-century ago; and there is little sign of improvement in this picture. Man's inhumanity to man still makes countless thousands mourn.

WHAT A TREE DOCTOR DID.

The movement to rejuvenate the apple orchards of New England is backed by men of experience and faith, men who know standard fruit when they see it. The New England apple barrel has grown into a speckled and dishonest thing. A Boston man, speaking as a buyer, says:

"For several years I have been bunched with New England apples. One fall I purchased a supply from a personal friend in Maine, and got a pretty poor grade of cider apples. The next year I bought apples of a Panell Hall market dealer, from a Maine orchard that he knew all about and I got a grade of cider apples inferior to either of the others, packed in the traditional manner, with a few good ones on top and the center made up from the lot that had been rejected as too bad to feed to the hogs."

And the same writer tells a story of an apple tree doctor who looked over a New England orchard of 400 trees which had been neglected and gave the owner an estimate of the necessity for starting it in the right way again. The owner demurred at the price, and it was finally agreed that the tree man should doctor the orchard at his own expense and that he should have all of the first crop after treatment and one-half of each of the next two crops. This year the crop belonged to the doctor, and he marketed 1,000 barrels of as fine apples as ever were offered by the Panell Hall dealers, and has been a large quantity of seconds, and supplied the owner of the orchard and everybody connected with the tree doctor's establishment with all the apples they wanted. For these apples the tree man received a sum equal to more than three times the fee he proposed to charge the owner for putting the orchard in condition and he has received the half share of the crops of 1910 and 1911.

This makes it appear that the New England Yankee is losing his shrewdness, and if the syndicates organizing to buy up orchard lands at low prices succeed, many of them will lose farms that will pay big dividends.

EVIDENCES.

The man who advertises must ever remain a foolish spender of money to the man who doesn't believe in advertising—who has had no evidence that dollars so put out ever return. If, however, he should handle The Bulletin's exchanges these days, he would be surprised to see how the papers of this state bulge with trade and Christmas announcements.

The Bulletin notes that the Hartford Times and the Bridgeport Telegram have issued 32-page editions. The Herald of New Britain a 32-page edition. The Courant of Hartford a 28-page edition. The Register and the Evening Union of New Haven, and the Waterbury Republican, each 24-page editions, not to mention the big papers which are now coming in from other states.

That there is business in printers' ink has been so well proven that it is strange that a man can be found anywhere who still honestly thinks that it doesn't pay. Why these great papers can handle hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of advertising space and they return large dividends to the firms they represent.

The business that gets into print in good shape gets right into the swim of trade.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Mexicans who spit upon the American flag may find that dangerous some day when they least expect it.

It is a fact that the cigarette smoker thinks that it is a shame for a girl to degrade herself by chewing gum.

The only place in which the Belgian monarch is mourned sincerely is said to be in the jewelry stores of Paris.

The sagging cotton prices disturb the south, but New England is of the opinion that it is about time for them to do so.

The woman who is conscious of the play of her smiles never takes any comfort in using the 'phone for business purposes.

England imported over two billion eggs last year for home consumption, which shows that her henneries need to be increased.

Money is talking everywhere, just now, but it makes no such babbling as the suffragettes make when they all talk at once.

Happy thought for today: If you do not know what you are going to do for Christmas, it is the part of wisdom to find out.

Montreal is having a grafting experience, and the Canadian papers can no longer point this way with horror at official dishonesty.

The Richmond Times-Dispatch says: The more we hear of Captain Loose the less we blame Dr. Cook for going off by himself.

Now that Carrie Nation has recently had three offers in marriage there appears to be no reason why any woman should despair.

The trouble with too many government investigations is that the investigators are too often a part of the system they are investigating.

Dr. Cook is not running away from the powers at Copenhagen. He is handy and in readiness to answer any call that may be made for him.

King Leopold is getting credit for making a dark spot in the history of his country, and his best subjects repudiate rather than praise him.

The supreme court of New York turned out one divorce every nineteen minutes the other day. That is faster

THE BULLETIN'S DAILY STORY

TABLE TALK AT THE HOBSONS'

"Willie," said Mr. Hobson to his four-year-old son, as the family gathered at the dinner table, "will you please ask the blessing?"

"Yes," replied the boy, and, reverently putting his little face to his plate, he said:

"Dear Lord, we thank thee for all thy good things. We thank thee for our food, and we thank thee for our clothes, and we thank thee for our little walk up on the mountain last year, and we thank thee for our little short walks, and we thank thee for our food, and for everything all over the world. Amen."

"That was a fine prayer," said Mrs. Hobson proudly. "That was the kind of prayer that God likes to hear."

"He thanked God for our food twice," Mary commented. Mary is a year and a half older than her brother, and a zealous critic of all his actions.

"The way that food prices are," said Mr. Hobson, as he cut up the beef-steak, "would be no harm in thanking the Lord for our food six or eight times at every meal. It seems strange to me, considering the cost of living, that people have so much money left to spend for Christmas presents. But they surely have lots of it, for the stores are crowded, and none of the people that I saw today acted as if they were giving up their cash against their will. They were all behaving mighty good-natured about it. Do you want gravy on your potatoes, children?"

"No, butter!" shouted both young Hobsons.

"Do you wonder that we don't get rich faster?" sighed their mother, as she handed the butter-dish across the board.

"Christmas has a cheering effect upon the whole town," Hobson resumed. "Wherever I went today people were kinder and more obliging than I've known them to be before. The girl who waited on me at—in one of the stores where I went—"

"If I told you, you would know right away what to expect for Christmas," said Willie.

"All right for you, sir. I guess we can have Christmas secrets, too, can't we, children?"

"Mamma and I and brother have a fine secret," said Mary. "Papa, dear, don't ever look in the bottom of the bookcase, do you?"

"Or behind the lounge," added Willie.

"No, children," Hobson assured them. "Your father wouldn't look in those places for the world. Now eat your dinner and let mamma and papa talk. I had some things sent out for the K-I-D-S, my dear. They ought to be here in the morning. There is a friction A-U-T-O and a H-O-R-S-E and a D-O-G and a P-A-N-O and a set of D-I-S-K-S and two or three other things."

"What store?"

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of the anti-Ballinger crusade at its correct value.—Boston Advertiser.

HOME GARMENT MAKING.

The Bulletin's Pattern Service.

Did you look at the S-T-E-A-M-B-O-A-T-S?

"Yes, but they wanted too much for them."

"We played to store at kindergarten to day," Mary spoke up. "Some of us played that we were toys, and others played that they were children. I stood in corner and played that I was a wax doll, and when the children came to buy me I opened and shut my eyes."

"And made a noise like a week's wages, I suppose," said Hobson. "Toy prices are higher than Mr. McKinley this year. While I was in the toy department a kindergarten class of little foreigners marched through, and I questioned whether it wasn't cruel to show the poor little chaps those beautiful, wonderful playthings that they could never own themselves. There were thirty toddlers in the line, none of them any bigger than Willie, here, and you could tell from the way their little eyes stuck out that they thought they were in heaven."

"Probably they were too small to get much of an impression of what they saw," said Mrs. Hobson, "so the trip won't do them much harm. Didn't you wish you had been a millionaire?"

"I surely did. As it was, I made up with the teacher and took the whole crowd to the candy counter. Stock-tout and Gardner happened to pass while I was dealing out peppermints, and they stopped and cracked jokes about 'Is there a Santa Claus?' and tried to make a rather thick I was a professional kidnapper. All the shoppers and clerks around had a good time gazing me, but the ragged little kids thought I was all right. I was sure the other people thought so, too, even if they laughed. Mary, take your hand out of your cup!"

"Did you bring us some of the candy?"

"Yes, sir, I did, but you can't have any of it unless you have eaten up all those potatoes."

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A NORWICH CASE

MANY MORE LIKE IT IN NORWICH.

The following case is but one of many similar occurring daily in Norwich. It is an easy matter to verify its correctness. Surely you cannot ask for better proof than such conclusive evidence.

Mrs. Margaret Cox, 191 West Main Street, Norwich, Conn., says: "My son procured Doan's Kidney Pills for me from N. D. Sevin & Son's drug store and the use proved of great benefit. I had been miserable for some time from disordered kidneys. Mornings when I arose my back was so painful that I could scarcely straighten and at times I could not do anything. Trouble with the kidney secretions also bothered me, the passages being too frequent. I was subject to dizzy spells, and more than once came near falling on this account. My face bloated and there was also a perceptible swelling of my feet and hands. I tried various medicines and doctors, but in a general way. It gave me pleasure to tell other persons of the curative powers of Doan's Kidney Pills."

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